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I believe I am the original, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **DIFFUSER WITH SPIRAL OPENING PATTERN FOR ELECTROPLATING REACTOR VESSEL**, the specification of which:

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- ☒ was filed on July 12, 1999
 as Application Serial No. 09/351,864
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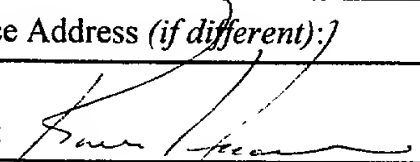
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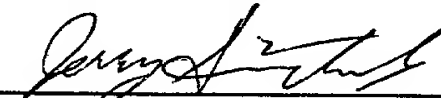
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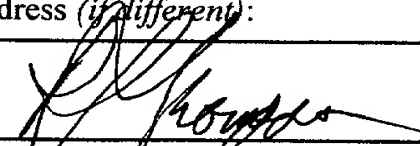
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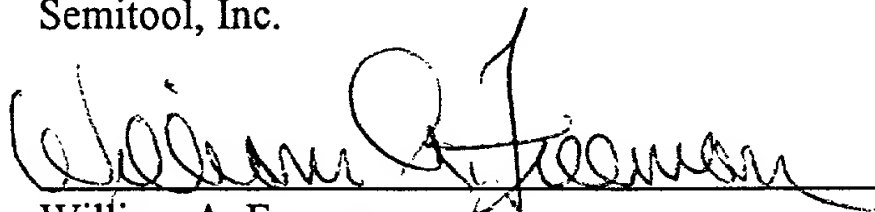
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